

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

August 12, 2014

The Honorable Gina McCarthy
Administrator
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW
Washington, DC 20460-0001

Dear Ms. McCarthy:

We write to request the status of the ongoing review and the expected timeline for finalizing an agreement between U.S. EPA, Region 3, and Sparrows Point Terminal, LLC, the prospective purchaser of the 3100 acre former Bethlehem Steel & RG Steel property located in Baltimore County, MD.; referred to locally as Sparrow's Point.

It is said of Sparrows Point that the "steel made there built America." While the steel that built our nation's skyscrapers still holds strong, the thousands of jobs that Sparrows Point built for middle-class families in Baltimore disappeared when the mill closed its doors in 2012. Despite losing their livelihoods, our constituents did not lose their sense of community, and remain hopeful that they will soon have an opportunity to get back to work and provide for their families.

We are hopeful that the proposed redevelopment of Sparrows Point will bring back economic vitality to this area, and ensure my constituents a solid economic future. We request the status of the ongoing review related to this project and the expected timeline for finalizing an agreement.

Please give this matter appropriate consideration, and send your response directly to Senator Mikulski's State Director, Lori Albin, 901 S. Bond Street, Suite 310, Baltimore, MD 21231 and Senator Cardin's Project Director, Ann Jacobs, 509 Hart Senate Office Building, Washington, DC 20510.

Thank you very much for your consideration. We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,



Barbara A. Mikulski
United States Senator



Benjamin L. Cardin
United States Senator